

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 17, 2011

10:00 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Vice- President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Kathleen Therese Meany, Chairman of Finance Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Terrence J. O'Brien

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.*
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.*

Call Meeting to Order

President Terrence J. O'Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Barbara J. McGowan; Kathleen Therese Meany; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Terrence J. O'Brien

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Debra Shore seconded by Patricia Horton, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Reconvene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Patricia Horton, to recess and reconvene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 12:35 p.m. President O'Brien reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee**Report**

1 [11-0334](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of February 2011, in the amount of \$32,842,908.36

Attachments: [11-0334 - February 2011 Disbursement Report](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee**Report**

2 [11-0353](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 1, 2011

Published and Filed

3 [11-0354](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 8, 2011

Published and Filed

4 [11-0407](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 11-604-11, Furnishing and Delivering Plumbing Materials and Supplies to Various Locations, estimated cost \$261,000.00

Published and Filed

Authorization

5 [11-0350](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement with the University of Wisconsin-Madison pursuant to Contract 11-RFP-03, *Master Agreement to Deliver Continuing Professional Development Courses for Engineers for a Three-Year Period*, beginning April 1, 2011 and continuing through March 31, 2014 *(Deferred from the March 3, 2011 Board Meeting)*

Approved

6 [11-0351](#) Authorization to enter into an agreement with the Illinois Institute of Technology pursuant to Contract 11-RFP-03, *Master Agreement to Deliver Continuing Professional Development Courses for Engineers for a Three-Year Period*, beginning April 1, 2011 and continuing through March 31, 2014 *(Deferred from the March 3, 2011 Board Meeting)*

Approved

Authority to Advertise

7 [11-0342](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-958-11 Repairs to Trucks and Trailers in the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$40,000.00, Account 101-69000-612860, Requisition 1318921

Approved

8 [11-0364](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-929-11 Repair of Rotating Assemblies at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant West Side Pumping Station, estimated cost \$109,900.00, Account 101-69000-612600, Requisition 1318576

Approved

9 [11-0371](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-414-11 Furnish, Deliver and Install an Air-Conditioning Unit in the Computer Room of the Main Office Building, estimated cost \$52,000.00, Account 101-15000-612680, Requisition 1320691

Approved

10 [11-0382](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-623-11 Preventive Maintenance on Synchronous and Inverter Pump Motors at the Stickney and Calumet Water Reclamation Plants, estimated cost \$185,000.00, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612600, Requisitions 1317494 and 1318579

Approved

11 [11-0383](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-683-11 Furnish and Deliver Crushed Stone, Sand and Gravel to Various Locations, estimated cost \$290,400.00, Accounts 101-66000/67000/68000/69000-623130, Requisition Nos. 1313689, 1312482, 1317000, 1315240, 1312970, 1318234, 1318617 and 1318907.

Approved

12 [11-0395](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-436-11 Furnish, Deliver, and Install Carpet in the Main Office Building Complex, estimated cost \$21,000.00, Account 101-11000-612490, Requisition 1320704

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

13 [11-0349](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Hay Group, Inc. for Professional Services relating to a total compensation study for non-represented employees, in an amount not to exceed \$190,000.00, Account 101-25000-601170, Requisition 1319515 (*Deferred from the March 3, 2011 Board Meeting*)

Approved

14 [11-0408](#) Issue purchase order to Bloomberg Finance L.P. for the ongoing Maintenance and Provision of a Real-Time Financial Information Network, Providing News, Data, Analysis, Straight-Through Processing, and Electronic Trading Tools, in an amount not to exceed \$64,000.00 for a two-year period, Account 101-11000-612280, Requisition 1320096 (*Deferred from the March 3, 2011 Board Meeting*)

Approved

Award Contract

15 [11-0352](#) Authority to award Contract 11-815-11, Maintenance Services for HVAC Controls at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to Anchor Mechanical, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, Account 101-68000-612680, Requisitions 1314417

Approved

16 [11-0355](#) Authority to award Contract 11-626-11, Security Services at the Lockport Powerhouse, to Universal Security, Corp., in an amount not to exceed \$219,204.98, Account 101-66000-612490 Requisition 1314077

Approved

17 [11-0373](#) Authority to award Contract 11-810-11, Boiler Maintenance and Repairs in the Calumet Service Area, to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$560,955.00, Account 101-68000-612680, Requisition 1312920

Attachments: [APP D 11-810-11.pdf](#)

Approved

18 [11-0374](#) Authority to award Contract 10-780-12 (Re-Bid), Rehabilitation of Fine Bubble Diffuser System at the North Side Water Reclamation Plant, Group B, to Sheridan Plumbing and Sewer, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$98,600.00, Account 401-50000-645750, Requisition 1255113

Attachments: [APP D 10-780-12.pdf](#)

Approved

19 [11-0378](#) Authority to award Contract 10-891-12 (Re-Bid), Repairs to Trucks and Trailers at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to B & W Truck Repair, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00, Account 101-68000-612860, Requisition 1293079

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

20 [11-0341](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend agreement with Dykema Gossett PLLP to represent the District in an environmental clean-up action on the former Fortech LLC site, Parcel 23.08 in Lemont, Illinois, in an amount of \$50,000.00, from an amount of \$210,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$260,000.00, Account 901-30000-667220, Purchase Orders 3054935 and 3024281

Attachments: [03-17-11_Dykema Gossett PLLP.pdf](#)

Approved

21 [11-0343](#) Authority to increase Contract 09-640-11 Furnishing and Delivering Sodium Bisulfite to Various Locations in the North Service Area, to PVS Chemical Solutions, Inc., in an amount of \$70,380.00 from an amount of \$156,400.00 to an amount not to exceed \$226,780.00, Account 101-67000-623560, Purchase Order 3057109

Approved

22 [11-0356](#) Authority to increase Contract 09-176-3P Sludge Thickening Facilities, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to McHugh Construction, in an amount of \$236,985.33, from an amount of \$162,560,044.08, to an amount not to exceed \$162,797,029.41, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001115

Attachments: [CO 09-176-3P.pdf](#)

Approved

23 [11-0357](#) Authority to increase Contract 09-499-3D, Twin Lakes Reservoir Rehabilitation, North Service Area, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount of \$34,635.37, from an amount of \$3,124,400.00, to an amount not to exceed \$3,159,035.37, Account Nos. 101-50000-612620 and 401-50000-645720, Purchase Order 5001162

Approved

24 [11-0358](#) Authority to increase Contract 01-198-AD Demolition of Sludge Disposal Building and Rehabilitation of Pump and Blower House and Coarse Screen Building at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount of \$41,498.94, from an amount of \$30,716,968.00 to an amount not to exceed \$30,758,466.94, Accounts 101-50000-612680, 401-50000-645680, and 645780, Purchase Order 5000961

Attachments: [CO 01-198-AD.pdf](#)

Approved

25 [11-0359](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Xerox Corporation, for Contract 10-RFP-09 Furnish, Deliver and Install One Color High-Speed Printing System and One Monochrome High-Speed Printing System with a Five Year Repair, Supply and Maintenance Agreement, in an amount of \$15,000.00, from an amount of \$956,181.00 to an amount not to exceed \$971,181.00 Account 101-15000-634800, Purchase Order 3066016

Approved

26 [11-0362](#) Authority to decrease Contract 07-167-5F, Permeable Pavement Installation, SWRP, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount of \$5,865.00, from an amount of \$980,884.83, to an amount not to exceed \$975,019.83, Account 501-50000-645780, Purchase Order 5000904

Attachments: [CO 07-167-5F.pdf](#)

Approved

27 [11-0366](#) Authority to decrease Contract 09-910-11, Services to Maintain and Repair Boilers at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant and Racine Avenue Pumping Station, to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., in an amount of \$43,800.98, from an amount of \$470,605.43 to an amount not to exceed \$426,804.45, Account 101-69000-612650, Purchase Order 5000976
Attachments: [09-910-11 Change Orders, as of 03-03-11 for 03-17-11 Board Mtg.pdf](#)

Approved

28 [11-0391](#) Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with MeadWestvaco, Corp., to Furnish and Deliver Material and Services for the Cabinet Vapor Absorber Systems, at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant in an amount of \$15,613.22, from an amount of \$24,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$8,386.78, Account 101-69000-612600, Purchase Order 3063445
Approved

29 [11-0400](#) Authority to decrease Contract 09-603-12, Furnish and Deliver Bulk Roadway Rock Salt to Various Service Areas to Morton International Inc., in an amount of \$17,641.11, from an amount of \$201,138.38, to an amount not to exceed \$183,497.27, Account 101-68000-623130, Purchase Order 3060581
Attachments: [09-603-12 Decrease for 3-17-11 BM.pdf](#)

Approved

30 [11-0403](#) Authority to decrease Contract 07-863-11, Pavement Improvement and Maintenance in the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant Area to Summit Construction Company Inc., in an amount of \$123,719.90, from an amount of \$635,648.76, to an amount not to exceed \$511,928.86, Accounts 101-66000/68000-612420, Purchase Order 5000775
Attachments: [07-863-11 Decrease for 3-17-11 BM.pdf](#)

Approved

31 [11-0404](#) Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with Superior Industrial Equipment, LLC, to Provide Services to repair FlowServe Durametallic Mechanical Seals for Digester Pumps at the Calumet and Stickney Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount of \$14,361.00 from an amount \$41,911.48 to an amount not to exceed \$27,550.48, Account 101-68000-612650, Purchase Order 3062268.
Attachments: [Superior Industrial Equip 3062268 for 03-17-11 BM.pdf](#)

Approved

32 [11-0405](#) Authority to decrease purchase orders to W. W. Grainger, Inc., for Furnishing and Delivering Maintenance, Repair and Operations (MRO) Catalog Products, under the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract #4014848, in an amount of \$142,913.40, from an amount of \$877,920.00, to an amount not to exceed \$735,006.60, Accounts 101-15000, 16000, 20000, 27000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623030, 623070, 623090, 623110, 623130, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623270, 623520, 623560, 623570, 623660, 623680, 623700, 623780, 623810, 623990, Purchase Orders 3048587, 3048588, 3048589, 3048591, 3048592, 3048593 and 3053245

Attachments: [Grainer, Inc. - Change Order Logs.pdf](#)

Approved

33 [11-0409](#) Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with Gardner Denver Nash LLC, for services to inspect and recommend repairs for Nash Gas Booster Compressors at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant Digesters and Racine Avenue Pumping Station, and to Furnish and Deliver Replacement Parts for Nash Compressors, in an amount of \$22,000.00 from an amount \$135,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$113,000.00, Account 101-69000-612650, Purchase Order 3062162

Attachments: [Gardner Denver Nash 3062162 Decrease for 3-17-11 BM.pdf](#)

Approved

34 [11-0410](#) Authority to decrease Contract 10-655-11, Manhole Repairs at Various Locations, to Sumit Construction Co., Inc., in an amount of \$107,550.00, from an amount of \$285,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$177,450.00, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612600, Purchase Orders 5001218, 5001219

Approved

35 [11-0411](#) Authority to decrease Contract 09-868-11, Fence Painting in the Calumet Service Area, to Bill's Painting Co., in an amount of \$11,771.40, from an amount of \$50,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$38,228.60, Account 101-68000-612420, Purchase Order 5001015

Approved

36 [11-0412](#) Authority to decrease purchase order and amend the agreement with Gardner Denver, Inc., for Field Technician Services and Parts at the Devon Instream Aeration Station, in an amount of \$16,000.01, from an amount of \$23,218.01, to an amount not to exceed \$7,218.00. Account 101-67000-612650, Purchase Order 3049706

Attachments: [Gardner Denver Inc 3049706 \(as of 2-1-11\) for 3-17-11 BM.pdf](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

37 [11-0340](#) Authority to transfer 2011 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$42,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

Attachments: [03.17.11 Board Transfer BF5.pdf](#)

Approved

Judiciary Committee

Authorization

38 [11-0348](#) Authority to pay the award in the Workers' Compensation Claim of Carlando Owens vs. MWRDGC, Case No. 05 WC 040192, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission, in the sum of \$36,698.60, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

39 [11-0344](#) Authorization to commence statutory procedures to lease approximately 17 acres of unimproved District real estate located east of Ashland Avenue and north of the Cal-Sag Channel in Calumet Park, Illinois; Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 16.01

Attachments: [03-17-11_Cal Sag Channel Parcel 16.01.pdf](#)

Deferred by Debra Shore

40 [11-0345](#) Issue orders authorizing a second amendment to a 39-year lease between the District and ACL Transportation Services LLC, to allow for the indoor bulk storage of Calcium Chloride and other non-hazardous dry bulk materials on its leasehold located at 16100 DesPlaines River Road in Lemont, Cook County, Illinois, and known as Barge Slip 4. Consideration shall be a \$2,000.00 document preparation fee

Attachments: [03-17-11_ACL Transportation Services LLC.pdf](#)

Approved

41 [11-0346](#) Authorization to commence statutory procedures to lease approximately 10 acres of unimproved District real estate located west of the Lemont Road Overpass and north of the Main Channel in Lemont, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 23.02 and part of 23.01

Attachments: [03-17-11_Lemont Road Overpass.pdf](#)

Deferred by Debra Shore

42 [11-0347](#) Authority to commence statutory procedures to lease approximately 5 acres of improved real estate located at 15680 Canal Bank Road in Lemont, Illinois; part of Main Channel Parcel 23.01

Attachments: [03-17-11_LaBarge Propane Inc.pdf](#)

Approved

43 [11-0413](#) Authority to issue a check payable to Material Service Corporation in the amount of \$148,466.09 as reimbursement of the District's pro rata share of the Second Installment of the year 2009 Real Estate Taxes paid by it for the Lower West Lobe of the Thornton Quarry, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Project 77-235-2F (401-50000-645620)

Approved

44 [11-0414](#) Authority to enter into a 39-year lease agreement with the City of Chicago for the use of approximately 33-acres of unimproved District real estate located at 2025 East 134th Street in Chicago to build and operate an outdoor firing range. Consideration shall be \$10.00, free use of the firing range by District police officers, other federal, state and local officers, and free tuition at the Chicago Metro Police Academy for District recruits

Attachments: [03-17-11_City of Chicago.pdf](#)

Deleted by the Acting Executive Director

45 [11-0415](#) Authority to issue a 5-year permit to United States Geological Survey to install, operate, monitor, maintain, repair, and remove a streamgaging station on approximately 5 square feet of District property located on the Summit Conduit near Joliet Road and West Lawndale Avenue in Summit, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 35.07. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [03-17-11_USGS.pdf](#)

Approved

46 [11-0416](#) Authority to commence statutory procedures for a 10-year lease of approximately 4.76 acres of unimproved District real estate located north of 41st Street, along the south bank of the Main Channel, in Forest View, Illinois; part of Main Channel Parcel 38.11

Attachments: [03-17-11_MCP 38.11.pdf](#)

Deferred by Debra Shore

47 [11-0417](#) Authority to issue a 5-year permit extension to Community Unit School District #3, Cuba, in Fulton County, to continue to use certain District land located in Cuba, Illinois, as a farm land laboratory to expose and educate high school students in agriculture production. Consideration shall be an annual fee of \$10,000.00

Attachments: [03-17-11_Community School.pdf](#)

Approved

48 [11-0418](#) Authority to issue a 5-year permit extension to the Board of Trustees of Junior College District 534 to continue to use approximately 40.4 acres of land located on the former Consolidation Coal Company Farm (Gavenda Tract) in Fulton County, Illinois, as a farm land laboratory. Consideration shall be an annual fee of \$2,828.00

Attachments: [03-17-11_Spoon River College.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

49 [11-0363](#) Authority for payment to the United States Army Corps of Engineers to allow for completion of Deer Creek Reservoir in Ford Heights in an amount not to exceed \$659,337.00, Account 501-50000-645620, Stormwater Management Fund

Attachments: [Board Approval funding for Deer Creek Reservoir.pdf](#)

Approved

50 [11-0367](#) Request for approval to initiate design of streambank stabilization projects identified under Detailed Watershed Plans

Attachments: [Streambank Stabilization Projects.pdf](#)

Approved

51 [11-0369](#) Request for approval to initiate preliminary engineering for various flood control projects identified under Detailed Watershed Plans

Attachments: [Flood Control Projects.pdf](#)
 [Letter to Ald. Laurino, Flood Control.pdf](#)

Approved

Miscellaneous and New Business

Resolution

52 [11-0330](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Chicago Business Opportunity Fair

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Additional Agenda Items

53 [11-0419](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-736-11 Furnish, Deliver and Install a Solar Hot Water Heating System at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$140,000.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Requisition 1319505

Approved

54 [11-0421](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of February 2011

Attachments: [CO February.pdf](#)
 [CO Status.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 39, 41, 44, 46 and 52

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Absent: 1 - Terrence J. O'Brien

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Stan Urban, Village Manager, on behalf of Sam Pulia, Village President, Village of Westchester commanded the Board for the Addison Creek Watershed project. (RE: Stormwater Management Item #50) (Refer to attachment A11-001)

Sheila C. Hill-Morgan, President and CEO, Chicago Minority Supplier Development Council Inc., accepted a resolution recognizing the 44th Annual Chicago Business Opportunity Fair (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #52)

George Blakemore, advocate for better government and the community, voiced concerns regarding out-sourcing contracts.

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Attachments: [Letter from Sam Pulia, Village President, Village of Westchester](#)

Summary of Requests

Eileen McElligott

Cynthia M. Santos requested a report on options of leasing or buying equipment. (Re: Procurement Item #25)

Kenneth Kits

Debra Shore requested the report on the performance of the permeable pavement installation. (Re: Procurement Item #26)

Ronald Hill

Debra Shore requested a report on the purpose of the project. (Re: Real Estate Item #45)

Kenneth Kits

Debra Shore requested a report on contracts awarded and to which firms. Also, requests that communications with the surrounding communities and the forest preserve be conducted before the preliminary studies are performed. (Re: Stormwater Management #50 and #51)

Kevin Fitzpatrick

Patricia Horton requested a report of staff seminar, conference and travel activity.

Study Session

A study session will be held for the Committee on Real Estate on Thursday March 24 at 10:00 am

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 7, 2011 please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 28, 2011 Date Board letters are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 30, 2011

Adjournment

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, that when the Board adjourns it adjourns to meet on Thursday, April 7, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. and that today's meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 9 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Patricia Horton, Barbara J. McGowan, Kathleen Therese Meany, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Terrence J. O'Brien

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 17, 2011, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Terrence J. O'Brien
President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

March 17, 2011